BEFORE THE FOREIGN SERVICE GRIEVANCE BOARD

In the Matter Between

Grievant Record of Proceeding FSGB No. 2014-025

And October 19, 2015

Department of State ORDER: WITHDRAWAL AND DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE

EXCISED

For the Foreign Service Grievance Board:

Presiding Member: John M. Vittone

Board Members: J. Robert Manzanares Harlan F. Rosacker

Special Assistant: Joseph Pastic

Representative for the Grievant: George Chuzi, Esq.

Kalijarvi, Chuzi, Newman & Fitch, P.C.

Representative for the Department: Elizabeth A. Whitaker

Grievance Analyst, HR/G

Employee Exclusive Representative: American Foreign Service Association

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In an e-mail message of September 17, 2015, grievant's attorney advised the Board,

Last year, prior to the parties' efforts to mediate this grievance, had filed a complaint alleging whistleblower reprisal with the Office of Special Counsel involving the same issues. OSC indicated it would stay its inquiry into the complaint while mediation was underway, to see whether a resolution could be reached.

At request, OSC has now resumed its processing of complaint, and he is therefore withdrawing this grievance.

Thank you for your efforts in this matter.

Concurrently with the above filing, the Department filed its response to grievant's motion to compel discovery that was pending when the Board resumed the appeal timeline. In the administrative correspondence that followed, grievant's attorney clarified that his withdrawal request is made without prejudice.

The messages have been entered in the record of proceedings and the Board will dismiss this case without prejudice. In view of this Order the Board will not consider the motion to compel discovery.

ORDER

The case is dismissed without prejudice.

For the Foreign Service Grievance Board:



John M. Vittone Presiding Member



J. Robert Manzanares Member



Harlan F. Rosacker Member